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**MAYOR LONDON BREED APPOINTS AMERIKA SANCHEZ  
AND GINA FROMER TO SOUTHEAST COMMUNITY  
FACILITY COMMISSION**

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Southeast Communities*

**San Francisco, CA**—Mayor London N. Breed has appointed Amerika Sanchez and Gina Fromer to the Southeast Community Facility (SECF), a local leadership body that informs the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission (SFPUC) and the Board of Supervisors on capital improvements, programming and operations for the community facility and its greenhouses in the Bayview-Hunters Point community.

Sanchez is the Principal of Community Sites for Five Keys Charter School and Fromer is the CEO of the San Francisco Education Fund. Sanchez and Fromer both have longstanding ties to the Bayview-Hunters Point community.

“Gina Fromer and Amerika Sanchez are strong, passionate leaders who care deeply about the issues facing the Southeast community,” said Mayor Breed. “I know they will bring an important neighborhood perspectives to the Commission and help both the SFPUC and the Board of Supervisors as they work to support the community.”

“Our SECF Commission plays a critical in helping the SFPUC address the needs the Southeast community,” said SFPUC General Manager Harlan L. Kelly, Jr. “As we collaborate with the Commission and residents to build a new community center and education facility at 1550 Evans, we are excited to welcome Amerika and Gina to the SECF Commission. Their presence, passion and expertise bring much value to this very important work.”

Established in 1987, the SECF Commission is a seven-member body comprised of Mayor-appointed representatives. The Commission advocates for special services and resources that improve the economic, health, safety and welfare of residents in San Francisco's Southeast neighborhoods. The SECF and the Greenhouses are facilities owned by the city, and operated and maintained by the SFPUC to provide education and workforce development opportunities to Southeast residents.

The new SECF Commissioners have demonstrated their commitment to enhancing opportunities in the Southeast community.



Fromer was born and raised in the Bayview-Hunters Point neighborhood. As the CEO of San Francisco Education Fund, she manages a staff of 16 and oversees the organization's partnership with the San Francisco Unified School District and the San Francisco Citizens Initiative for Technology and Innovation. Prior to joining the SF Education Fund, Fromer spent nearly three decades in various leadership roles serving youth and families, including stints at the Bayview YMCA and Young Community Developers.

Sanchez is a Bayview resident and homeowner. She has more than 12 years of experience as a teacher and administrator, and has worked for public, independent, and charter schools. In her role as the Principal of Community Sites for Five Keys Charter School, she oversees educational programming for a diverse range of adult learners including transitional aged youth (TAY) in several locations such as the SECF, Bayview YMCA, The Village and HopeSF sites.

"As dedicated community leaders and education advocates, Gina and Amerika will strengthen our Commission's ability to provide strategic guidance to the SFPUC and ensure Southeast residents have access to the services, partnerships and opportunities that set them up for success," said Steve Good, Chairperson, SECF Commission. "On behalf of the Commission, I'm thrilled to welcome them to our team."

To learn more about the SECF Commission, visit the [www.sfwater.org/secf](http://www.sfwater.org/secf).

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